ments of the jute industry establishment of Special Jute Development Fund for restructuring the jute economy, enactment of mandatory use of jute packing for foodgrains, sugar, cement and urea, grant of financial support for R&D Activities and product diversification programmes, regular purchase of B. Twill bags on cot plus basis, encouragement of diversification by providing facilities of excise exemption. Concessional import duty marketing support etc.

Classification of Cities in Uttar Pradesh

7105. SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of cities declared as metropolitan and 'A' grade cities in Uttar Pradesh so far;

(b) the status of headquarters of eight hill districts of Uttar Pradesh in this regard; and

(c) the obstacles in declaring Dehradun as 'A' Grade city and when a decision to that effect is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE):(a) Different types of classification of cities exist for grant of different allowances to Central Govt. Employees. For the purpose of grant of HRA/CCA, cities are classified on the basis of population as reflected in decennial census as follows:-

Classification	*Population of city*
'A' Class	over 16 lakhs
'B'-1' Class	Over 8 lakhs but not exceeding 16 lakhs.
'B-2' Class	Over 4 lakh but not exceeding 8 lakhs.
'C' Class	Over 50 thousand but not exceeding 4 lakhs.

The current classification is based on 1981 Census. In Uttar Pradesh, only Kanpur (Urban Agglomeration) has been classified as 'A' class city for purpose of grant of Compensatory (City) Allowance to the Central Government employees.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as early as possible.

(c) Since population of Dehradun is below 16 lakhs, it does not qualify for classification as 'A' class city for the purpose of grant of HRA/CCA.

Customs Clearance Permits for Import of Cars/Vehicles

7106. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether customs clearance permits for import of cars and vehicles have been dispensed with;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the terms and conditions for importing new cars?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN SHURSHEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Details as well as conditions for import of New Car are contained in Public Notice No. 197-ITC (PN) /90-93 dated 16.8.1991 as per attached Statement.

STATEMENT

(To be Published in the Gasette of India Extraordinary Part-I Section - I)

Government of India
Ministry of Commerce
Import Trade Control

Public Notice No. 197 - ITC (PN) 90-93
New Delhi: Dated the 16th August, 1991.

Subject:- *Important and Export Policy for April 1990 - March 1993.*

Attention is invited to the Import and Export Policy for April 1990 - March 1993, published under the Ministry of Commerce Public Notice No. 1-ITC (PN)/90-93 dated the 30th March, 1990 as amended.

2. The following amendments shall be made in the Policy at appropriate places indicated below:-

Sl. No.	*Page no. of Import and Export Policy, 1990-93 (Volume I)*	*Reference*	*Amendment*
(1)	*(2)*	*(3)*	*(4)*
1.	45 - 46	Chapter IX Import of Car and Vehicles Paragraphs 135 to 147	

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2.	180	Appendix 6 Import of Items Under Open General Licence	After the existing Item No. 51 (inserted by Ministry of Commrce Public Notice No. 115-ITC (PN)/90-93 dated 11.1.91), the following shall be inserted:-

	Item	*Categories of eligible importers*
·52,	Cars, Station wagons, jeeps, motor-cycles, Scooters, autocycles, mini-cars and mopeds.	(A) Indian Nationals or foreign nationals of Indian origin returning to India for permanent settlement.

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			(B) Foreign Nationals (including persons of Indian origin) married to Indian Nationals.)
			(C) Foreign Nationals and foreign experts working in India.
			(D) Branches/Offices of Foreign Institutions (Corporate or otherwise).
			(E) Indian Company having Foreign Collaboration.
			(F) Accredited Journalists/ Correspondents of Foreign News Agencies.
			(G) Air Companies.

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			(H) Indian Firms executing contracts abroad. (I) Charitable and Missionary institutions. (J) Honorary Consuls of foreign Governments.
3.	181 - 189	Appendix 6 conditions Governing imports under Open General Licence.	After the existing condition No. (51), the following shall be inserted:- (51) General conditions applicable to Open General all categories of importers of Cars/Vehicles unless otherwise provided. (I) Remittance of foreign exchange from India towards payment of the cost, freight or insusrance will not be allowed.

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			(ii) The Customs duty for the car/vehicle as leviable under the relevant Customs rule is to be paid in foreign conver-tible currency. Provided, that employees of the Central Government, State Government of Public Sector Undertakings, who are posted in Indian Embassies/High Commissions abroad or in foreign offices of public sector undertakings, may make the payment of Customs duty in Indian Rupees.
			(iii) On arrival of the Car/Vehicle in India it should be got registered in the name of the importer.
			(iv) The ownership or possession of the car/vehicle imported under categories B,D,F,G,H and I of Item 52 or Appendix 6 shall not be transferred for 5 years from the date of importation without the written permission of the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, New Delhi unless otherwise provided.
			(v) The importer is required to execute a Bond in the prescribed proforma for an amount equal to the Customs assessed C.I.F. value of the car/vehicle in favour of the President of India at the

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concerned local Office of the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, undertaking to fulfil the conditions applicable to import. The Bond should be supported by bank guarantee of a scheduled bank for the Customs assessed C.I.F. value of the car/vehicle against mortage of the vehicle for the 'No Sale Period' of 5 years or more as the case may be. The bond shall be valid for a period of six years to be extended or renewed for such further period as may be required by the concerned Office of CCI&E.

(vi) The 'No Sale Period' shall not be applicable in the case of category A.

(vii) Import of spares upto a C.I.F. value of Rs. 2,500/- can be made along with the import of car/vehicle.

Special Conditions applicable to particular Category.

Indian National or Foreign Nationals of Indian origin returning to India for Permanent settlement (Category A).

(i) Indian nationals returning to India must have stayed abroad

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continuously for a period of 2 years and the vehicle has been purchased out of his own earnings abroad. Import even new cars upto engine size 1400 cc can be made by Indians under Transfer of Residence subject to the condition that the payment has been made abroad before return to India. However, import of cars of engine size above 1400 cc will be subject to the condition that the vehicle has been in use of the importer at least for a period of one year prior to return to India. The importer is required to furnish an affidavit in the prescribed proforma duly notorised. Import of the second car will be allowed only after a minimum period of 5 years stay in India from the date of import of the first vehicle.

Foreign Nationals (Including persons of Indian origin) married to Indian nationals (Category B).

(ii) Persons in this category coming to India for permanent settlement may import a car/vehicle only once as a figt from the parents and within a period of one yearof the marriage OR may import car/ vehicle only once if it was purchased out of own foreign exchange

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			earnings and it was in use before marriage and no car has been imported under any other provision.
			Foreign Nationals and Foreign experts working in India. (Category C).
			(iii) (a) Foreign nationals including those of Indian origin employed in India in public or private sector will be eligible to import a car/vehicle if the assignment in India is for a minimum period of one year and subject to production of employer's certificate in original.
			(b) Self employed foreign nationals will be required to produce Central/State Government certificate regarding the nature of profession and justification for import.
			(c) Foreign experts coming to India under Aid Programmes will be required to produce a certificate of assignment/ employment from the concerned Government Department giving general particulars, nature of work, likely tenure,

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			particulars of aid programmes, Purchase invoice/registration certificate of ownership of the car/vehicle. In all cases mentioned at (a), (b),and (c) above import will be subject ot the condition that except for a short visit abroad not exceeding 3 months, the vehicle shall be re-exported or sold to the State Trading Corporation of India or to any other foreign national entitled to import a car, when the importer leaves India. Provided that sale of the car in the open market may be permitted by the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, New Delhi subject to the conditjon that the repartiable value availabl to the foreigner is not more than the landed cast paid in foreign exchange after deducting depreciation at the rate applicable for the purposes of Customs valuation.
			Branches/Offices of Foreign Institutions (Corporate or otherwise) (Category D).
			(iv) Branches/Offices of foreign institutions will be eligible to to

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			import one car/vehicle (two if there are more than one branch/office in different towns) subject to the approval of the Government/Reserve Bank of India for opening the branch/office in India. Import of a second vehicle may be allowed after a lapse of five years from the date of importation of the first vehicle subject to the sale of first vehicle to the State Trading Corporation of India.
			Indian Company having foreign collaboration (Category E).
			(v) Indian Company having foreign collaboration will be eligible to import a car/vehicle in cases where the collaboration agreement require employment/visit of foreign director/technicia experts from time to time. The Chief Controller of Imports & Exports, New Delhi may allow sale of the car/vehicle after a period of 10 years and the same shall be required to be offerred for sale first to the State Trading Corporation of India.

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			Accredited Journalists/ Correspondants of foreing news agencies (Category F).
			(vi) Accredited Journalist/ Correspondents of foreign news agencies will be eligible to import car/vehicle subject to production of the recommendation of the Press Information Bureau, New Delhi and subject to the condition of re-export or sale to the State Trading Corporation of India.
			Air Companies. (Category G).
			(vii) Air companies will be eligible to import car/vehicle subject to the production of recommendation of the Ministry of Civil Aviation, New Delhi. Import will be subject to the condition of re-export or sale to State Trading Corporation of India.
			Indian Firms executing contracts abroad (Category H)
			(viii) (a) Indian firms executing contracts abroad will be eligible to import car/vehicles on substantial comple-

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tion of the project and will be required to produce approval of Reserve Bank of India/Government of India sanctioning contract and expenditure overseas for the puchase of the car/vehicle for the execution of the contract.

(b) Indian companies having office abroad will be eligible to import the car/vehicle in case their office is wound up in the foreign country subject to the production of the approval of the Reserve Bank of India towards purchase of the car and a certificate that the car/vehicle has been in use of the company abroad for atleast one year before the winding up of the foreign office.

Charitable and Missionary INstitutions. (Category I).

(ix) Charitable and Missionary institutions will be eligible to import utility vans, ambulances, station wagons, jeeps,

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			mini-buses or passenger transport vehicles as gift subject to the condition that the institution is an established one functioning for the common benefit of the community and subject to production of necessary clearnace under the foreign contribution Act, 1976.
			Honorary Consuls of Foreign Governments (Category J).
			(x) Honorary Consuls of foreign Governments will be eligible to import a car subject to production of the Ministry of External Affairs. Import of second car may be allowed after a minimum period of 5 years from the date of import of the first car. The request for sale of the first car in the open market may be considered by the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, New Delhi in the event of permitting import of a second car. Where an Honorary consul is changed during the period of five years, the new Honorary Consul shall not be allowed to import another car but the car imported by his prodecessor shall be transferred to the Honorary Consul with

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			the prior approval of the Chief controller of Imports and Exports, New Delhi.

3. Attention is also invited to the Hand Book of Procedures for April 1990 - March 1993, published under the Minister of commerce public Notice No. 2-ITC (PN)/90-93 dated the 30th March 1990, as amended.

4. The following amendments shall be made in the Hand book of procedures at appropriate places indicated below:-

1.	52 - 53	Chapter IX Import of Cars & Vehicles	The existing Chapter shall be deleted.
2.	200 - 202	Appendix IX Import of Cars & other Vehicles	This appendix shall be deleted.

5. The above amendments in the Import and Export Policy and Hand Book of Procedures have been made in public interest.

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CHIEF CONTROLLER OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

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